THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) Construction and maintenance works are going on all National Highways in North-Eastern Region. State-wise details are as under:

Sl. No	State	National Highway
1	Arunachal Pradesh	52, 52A, 153
2	Assam	31, 31B, 31C, 36, 37, 37A, 38, 39, 44, 51, 52, 52A, 52B, 53, 54, 61, 62, 151, 152, 153, 154
3	Manipur	39, 53, 150 and 155
4	Meghalaya	40, 44, 51, 62
5	Mizoram	44A, 54, 54A, 54B, 150, 154
6	Nagaland	36, 39, 61, 150, 155
7	Sikkim	31A
8	Tripura	44, 44A

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Intermediate ring road around Bangalore

2574. DR. VIJAY MALLYA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has agreed to implement the 250 km Intermediate Ring Road around Bangalore Metropolitan Region at a cost of Rs.2,580 crore to ease traffic congestion in Greater Bangalore;

(b) if so, by when a detailed project report would be prepared;

(c) by when the work would commence; and

(d) the name of the implementing and executing agency?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K. H. MUNIAPPA): (a) to (d) The National Highways Authority of India has commissioned a feasibility study for the Ring Road around Bangalore city which is expected to be submitted in January, 2008. Based on the outcome of the study, the said ring Road project would be considered under National Highway Development Projects Phase-VII. State Government could also cosider the feasibility of implementing the project under the Viability Gap Funding (VGF) Scheme.